

GERMANS EXPLAIN THE CAVELL CASE

Wrong Impression Created by
British Announcements, Says
Semi-Official Statement.

PROMISES TO U. S. ENVOY
ARE FORMALLY DENIED

Reported That Anna Benazet Has
Been Condemned to Death
at Liege.

BRUSSELS, October 28.—A semi-official statement has been issued here relative to the case of Miss Edith Cavell, the English nurse who was executed by the German authorities. It reads as follows:

"The American ambassador at London has placed at the disposal of the British government documents regarding the Cavell case. The documents contain statements respecting the exchange of letters between the American legation at Brussels and the German authorities at Brussels about the trial. The British government promptly handed the documents to the press and had them distributed abroad by Reuters (Reuters' Telegram Company).

Inaccuracy Is Charged.

"In these documents most of the important events are inaccurately reported. Particularly is the impression created that the German authorities, with empty promises, put off the American minister (Brand Whitlock) in order to conceal from him pronouncement of the death sentence and deprive him of the opportunity of intervention in Miss Cavell's behalf.

"Such a statement, which is also published, Sir Edward Grey declares that the worst feature of the action of the German authorities was that a promise made to the American minister continually to inform him of the course of the proceedings was not kept. This was, therefore, have been broken. This was admitted by the American minister in Brussels when the matter was discussed with the German authorities.

Misleading Construction.

"That the American ambassador in London was wrongly informed can be explained by the fact that the Belgian advocate, who, as attorney for the American legation, played a part in this incident, caused a misleading construction to be placed upon his reports. "In any case, the American minister at Brussels was painfully aware of the report as made public. He intends to inform his London colleague and his government at once of the difference between the written report of the Belgian attorney for the legation and the facts."

Woman Gets Death Sentence.

AMSTERDAM, October 28.—Anna Benazet of Verviers, Belgium, was sentenced to death by a German court-martial at Liege Monday.

This woman was one of nine persons executed by the court-martial. Seven of them were Belgians and the others French. In four cases sentence of death was passed, and the other prisoners were condemned to terms of from ten to fifteen years in prison. The charge against them was of having collected information useful to the French government, for which it was intended. The telegraph hears from Liege, Belgium, that two more persons have been sentenced to death there by court-martial. Their names are Frans Lagay and Andre Garot. Three others, Oriol Simon, Amadeus Heese and Constant Herck, already have been shot at Liege.

Question of Responsibility.

LONDON, October 27.—In reply to a question whether the British government intended to notify Gen. von Blum, the German Governor of Belgium, that he "will be held personally responsible for the quasi-judicial assassination of Miss Cavell," Lord Robert Cecil, parliamentary under secretary for foreign affairs, said that it would serve no purpose to convey such a message to any particular German official, who was not necessarily responsible. Lord Robert recalled the words of Premier Asquith last May that reparation would be exacted for any mistreatment of English prisoners. The under secretary added:

"That pledge still holds good, and it applies with twofold force to the savage murder, under legal form, of that noble woman."

News Suppressed, Is Claim.

According to the Times, the German censorship suppressed absolutely all news from British and neutral sources concerning the execution of Miss Cavell. The German newspapers of Saturday and Sunday, the Times says, contained not a single word about American intervention or of American Minister Whitlock's story, but only the communication issued by Gen. von Blum, the German governor general in Belgium, and that the only reference in the German press to the feeling aroused abroad was a brief New York dispatch to the Frankfurter Zeitung referring to the excitement caused by the sensational reports.

Gerard Expects Inquiry.

BERLIN, October 28.—Although he has not yet been notified officially of the execution of Miss Edith Cavell by the Germans at Brussels, James W. Gerard, the American ambassador to Germany, is anticipating the possibility that he will be required to investigate the circumstances of the execution. Mr. Gerard said today that he was yet uncertain whether he or Brand Whitlock, the American minister to Belgium, would be asked to make a further report to the State Department at Washington.

Communication Expected.

MADRID, via Paris, October 28.—The Marquis de Lema, minister of foreign affairs, announces that he has received information which leads him to believe that death sentences imposed on women in Brussels will be commuted.

Inquiries Relative to Claims.

The State Department is receiving numerous inquiries regarding claims to be filed on account of loss of life and property in connection with the sinking of the Arabic by a German submarine, but so far none of the claims have been adjusted.

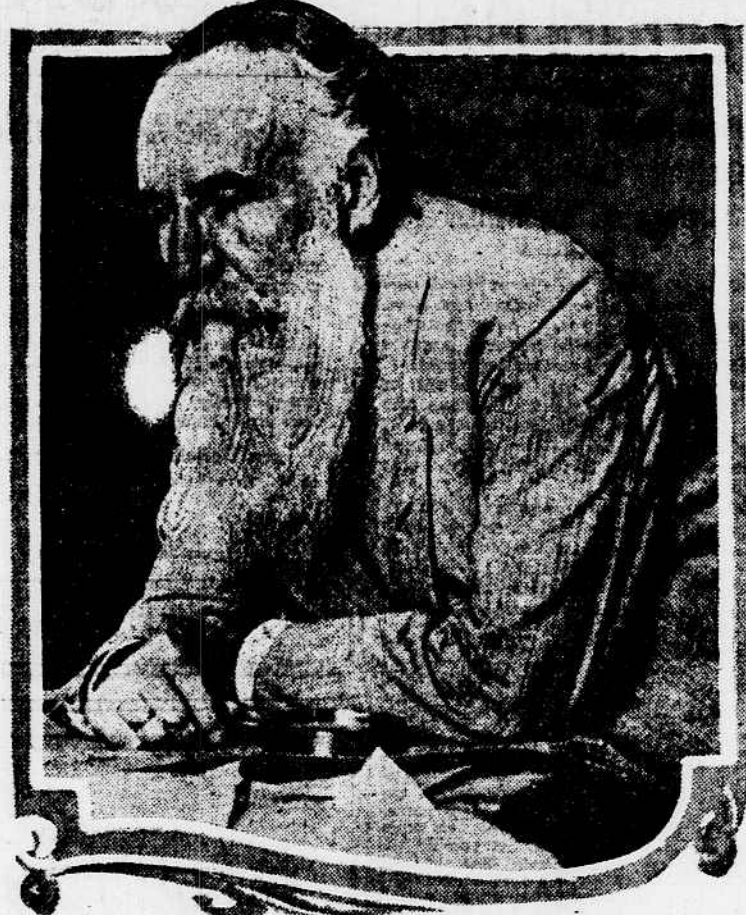
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RUSSIAN STATEMENT.

PETROGRAD, October 27, via London, October 28:

West of Riga, in the region of Lake Babite, minor engagements have occurred. The Germans continue their attacks in the district west of Iksa, but without success, all of them being repulsed. A German offensive in the direction of Neuseburg, northwest of Jacobstadt, was stopped by our fire.

On the Dvina, from the town of Liwenhof, above Jacobstadt, to Iloukist, there has been an artillery duel, as well as rifle fire. West of Dvinsk, the Germans are attacking in many places, but without success. At times the artillery fire attained tremendous intensity.

On the front south of Dvinsk to the Pripiet there has been no fighting. South of the village of Redvchka, northwest of Czarotysk, the enemy assumed the offensive, but was met by our counter attack with the bayonet at every point.

Near the village of Kamenoukha, south of Medvejka, a counter attack threw back the Germans advancing to the east. We captured prisoners. South of Olyka our troops progressed and occupied the village of Konstantinovka and the enemy's intrenchments.

An offensive by the enemy in the environs of the village of Droguitchevka, near the confluence of the Stripa and Dniester, was stopped by our flank counter attack. The enemy here was thrown back toward the village of Schoutromintze. On the Caucasian front no change is reported.

TURKISH STATEMENT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, via London, October 28:

Supply columns of the enemy, sighted near the landing station at Ari Burnu, were dispersed by our artillery. On the Caucasian front the enemy was forced to retreat on his right wing after an engagement with our patrols.

ITALIAN STATEMENT.

ROME, October 27, via Paris, October 28:

From new positions, one on the right bank of the Adige, which commands communications at the bottom of the valley, our artillery October 25 surprised and seriously damaged one of the enemy's military trains which was moving toward the San Lario station, north of Rovereto.

On the upper Cordevole, October 26, on the rugged slopes of Col di Lana, we stormed another fort filled with hostile troops. We found the enemy's trenches choked with bodies. We took eight prisoners.

In the Monte Nero zone, on the night of the 25th and 26th, the enemy in great strength again tried to attack our positions above Vedil. We allowed them to come within a short

distance, then moved down and dispersed them with our crossfire. Our offensive accomplished fresh progress on the height of Santa Lucia and opposite Tolmino, where we made prisoners over a wide front. Knaievats is in Bulgarian hands. Several guns have been captured. The height of Krenovciava, twenty-five kilometers (about fifteen miles) northwest of Pirot, has been occupied. Eastern theater: The army of Field Marshal von Hindenburg is maintaining its progress northeast of Sarajewo against Russian attacks. The churchyard at Szaszaly is in our possession. Two officers and 150 men were captured. Our fire prevented the enemy from developing a movement undertaken from Sarajewo.

Army group of Prince Leopold: Near Thiersheray, on the Niemen northeast of Novo Grodek, a strong Russian attack failed.

Army group of Gen. von Linsingen: Rudka, to the west of Czarotysk, has been taken.

FRENCH STATEMENT.

PARIS, October 28:

There was reported last night nothing more than outpost engagements and reconnaissance of small importance, which everywhere resulted in our favor.

The French official statement of last night reads:

After having exploded in the neighborhood of the road from Arras to Lille, to the southeast of Neuville-St. Vaast, a series of powerful mines, which destroyed the German intrenchments and entanglements, our troops immediately occupied the excavations. They installed and maintained themselves there, notwithstanding a very violent bombardment and several counter attacks by the enemy, who suffered serious losses. We captured about thirty prisoners.

To the north of Aisne, in the sector of Roche, west of Soissons, the methodical fire of our batteries has caused heavy damage to the organizations, blockhouses and shelters of the enemy.

To the east of Rheims the Germans renewed on the front from La Feme des Marquises to Proennes their attempts to attack, with the employment of suffocating gases in large quantities. Our troops were able to protect themselves efficaciously against the blankets of gas coming from the enemy trenches. They broke down by infantry and artillery barrier fire the effort of the assailants, who were everywhere completely repulsed.

Spirited combat with the grenade continued during the entire day, with our troops repulsing the attacks of the north of Ville-sur-Tourbe.

In the district of Kosovo the Albanians have commenced hostilities against the Serbians.

Several Serbian officers remained in Uskup. The Serbian authorities, while advising American missionaries and other foreigners to leave Uskup, as they said the Bulgarians were barbarians and would kill them, left their own families there, saying that the Bulgarians would not harm them.

AUSTRIAN STATEMENT.

VIENNA, October 27, via London, October 28:

The repulse of the Russians west of Czarotysk continues, despite the enemy's strenuous resistance. Italian attacks on our front in the coastal districts have continued, but again with the big sacrifices of men and munitions, as on the previous days. The enemy hesitates to send in his reserves. Several attempts to attack our Krn positions made no headway, and repeated attacks on the Tolmino bridgehead were repulsed.

The Piava sector is frequently under an incessant fire. An attack near Globna was repulsed. Near Piava the Italian infantry could not advance.

In the southern sector of Gorizia the bridgehead is still under a heavy fire.

CHRISTIANS BARRED AT THE CORONATION

None Will Be Asked to Witness
Crowning of the Japanese
Emperor.

TO BE ASKED TO ATTEND
SOME OF THE BANQUETS

Even Members of Diplomatic Corps
May Not Witness All of
the Ceremonies.

Correspondence of the Associated Press.

TOKIO, October 2.—Japan has decided to adhere to her original intention not to invite a representative of the Christian religion to the coronation ceremonies of Emperor Yoshito, to be held in Kioto early next month.

Japanese Christians tried to induce the court and government to change the original plans on the ground that Christianity is now one of the prominent religions of the empire, but the authorities have decided that only representatives of the Buddhist and Shinto religions will attend the Kioto ceremonies. The explanation given is that Buddhist and Shinto priests have a court rank in Japan which entitles them to an invitation.

Invitations to Banquets.

On the other hand, the coronation board will recognize the religions of the west by inviting their representatives to the banquets to be held November 16 in various cities of the empire simultaneously with the first great coronation feast proper, which will be given at Kioto by the emperor on that date. More than 100,000 persons will be present at these commemorative feasts.

The coronation board says it is very desirous of having it understood that the coming coronation will be distinctly a national affair. It points out that the expenses will be borne by the nation, and that officials of the government and every class of people in the empire will be represented.

Where Diplomats Are Barred.

The members of the diplomatic corps will attend two of the principal coronation ceremonies and the three coronation feasts to be held at Kioto, but they will not be invited to the third great ceremony at Kioto known as the Daijosi, or grand harvest thanksgiving festival. No anti-foreign consideration enters in the question, the officials explain, but this being an archaic ritual service which is purely and simply Japanese and which has been in no way influenced or changed by western civilization it has been deemed best to invite no foreigners. This is the ceremony at which the emperor offers the sacred rice to the ancestral gods and himself partakes of the sacred food.

German Gold Hoard Increases.

BERLIN, October 25, via London, October 28.—The statement of the Reichs Bank of October 23 shows increases of gold of 3,321,000 marks, of net stocks, treasury certificates and notes of other banks 305,937,000 marks and loans 1,047,000 marks. There were decreases in discounts of 466,830,000 marks, in treasury bills 741,000 marks, in note circulation 102,345,000 marks, in deposits 59,017,000 marks.

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A recent summary of the summary of the previous study of this sort performed by the company in New York city. The Portland percentage of totally unemployed was found to be 20 and that of Ogden 4.5. Twelve large cities only were covered by the investigation, these being: Butte, Los Angeles, Oakland, Ogden, Portland, Salt Lake City, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma. The cities showing the largest percentages of part-time workers were: San Diego, 23.2 per cent; Oakland, 23.9 per cent; San Francisco, 25.4 per cent; Los Angeles, 24.1 per cent, and Sacramento, 23.7 per cent. The average for all twelve cities combined was 20.2 per cent. Every German regiment has a chiropodist in its ranks.

DENIED VON BUELOW WILL TAKE PEACE TRIP

LONDON, October 28.—The Mail learns from its Bern correspondent that Prince von Buelow, former German imperial chancellor, whose name has been connected with recent rumors of peace negotiations, will probably go to Madrid and thence to the United States. This report is denied by a message from Zurich, which says that von Buelow merely has asked the Italian government for safe conduct to Genoa, owing to the fact that his Italian wife is to undergo a cure there. A dispatch from Rome also denies that the former German chancellor plans to go on a peace mission to America.



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